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On 16 July 1953 the following new military ranks went into effect in the North Korean Army:

a. Enlisted Men:

<u>Old Rank</u>	<u>New Rank</u>
Chonsa (private)	Pyongsa
Kakil	Sangtungpyong
Kak-i	Hasa
Kak-sam	Chungsa
Kakkwang	Sangsa
Kakhoeng	T'ukmusangsa

b. Officers:

<u>Insignia</u>	<u>New Rank</u>	<u>English Equivalent</u>
One small star	Sowi	2nd Lieutenant
Two small stars	Chungwi	1st Lieutenant
Three small stars	Sangwi	Senior Lieutenant
Four small stars	Taewi	Captain

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<u>Insignia</u>	<u>New Rank</u>	<u>English Equivalent</u>
One medium star	Sochwa	Major
Two medium stars	Chungchwa	Lieutenant Colonel
Three medium stars	Sangchwa	Junior Colonel
Four medium stars	Taechwa	Full Colonel
One big star	Sochang	Major General
Two big stars	Chungchang	Lieutenant General
Three big stars	Taechang	General
One special star	Ch'asa	Junior Marshal
	Sonsu ¹	Marshal

1. Comment. Possibly Wonsu was intended.

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